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Behold the ice man in all his glory.

How many flies have you killed?

That Louisiana calf with two heads and two tails came near being twins.

It may be bromide to talk about the weather, but how can you help it?

Along with other cooling drinks, take this bromide: "Is it hot enough for you?"

Never mind, there will soon be flies enough to give every man a chance to do his duty.

What makes the kaiser's 50 castles so expensive is that none of them is a castle in the air.

Now that an ion of electricity has been found, the mystery of the force is simply increased.

The fibbing as to age, girls, can go on, for the census man and his records have disappeared.

If there is one thing upon which thirty men agree it is that they prefer a street car to a taxi.

The middleman is not needed, but the world will continue to need the farmer and the consumer.

One can hardly blame the aviators for wanting to use their wings in the general direction of the wind.

In London a safe has been made to hold \$5,000,000 worth of radium. The problem now is to get the radium.

A Seattle man cured a stomach trouble by fasting 39 days. They buried him on the fortieth day.

Considering that it is an amusement of the rich we ought to hear that smuggling is a matter of temperament.

Dancing masters wish their art to be highly differentiated from wrestling contests and one cannot blame them.

These long-distance weather predictions give one a chance to worry for a week about weather that never comes.

A judge advised a speed maniac to see a doctor. A good, reliable prison doctor would be particularly likely to afford him relief.

To atone partially for the poor display made by the comet there will be another total eclipse of the moon on November 16. Wait for it.

Russia has not figured extensively as a cotton-producing country. But it seems to have ambitions in that direction. Reports from Tiflis are to the effect that the area sown to cotton this year is double that of 1909. In one district 400 acres are devoted to the staple. That is a tiny fraction of the total in the United States, but high prices have stimulated cotton growing wherever practicable, and the aggregate result may be a substantial gain in the foreign output.

The latest government report is additionally favorable to a big wheat crop. The returns, as interpreted by the skilled statistician of the New York produce exchange, indicate a total harvest of 702,404,000 bushels, against an indication for the same time last year of 652,351,000 bushels. The estimate for 1909 fell below the actual result, for the total yield last year was 737,159,000 bushels. Should there be similar excess this year there will be a good chance for a record-breaking output.

It is stated that the recent missile test against the ram Katahdin has demonstrated that the theory as to the piercing power of big projectiles fired at modern battleships' range is wrong—that the missile really drops from the trajectory at so sharp an angle that it delivers a glancing blow and therefore does not penetrate armor plate of only moderate thickness. If this is true, the fighting will have to be at closer range, and the guns of smaller caliber than the big 13-inch rifles will come into greater favor.

The peril of the four young men who put out upon Lake Michigan in a gasoline launch with a supply of fuel close to exhaustion should remind motor yachtsmen that a small boat without power is helpless in comparison with a sailing yacht. The latter can be handled so that she will be safe in the roughest of weather, while the powerless motor boat must wallow and take what comes, unless those in charge of her have seamanship enough to rig a sea anchor and ride behind it while awaiting succor.

Cheer up, astronomers! Mars isn't going to run away, anyhow.

The ice cold geyser discovered in Yellowstone park not only upsets the accepted theory as to the origin of periodical natural fountains, but adds a feature of economic value to the scene of natural wonders. Heretofore tourists have been able to catch fish and swing them from the river into a geyser basin of hot water, to be cooked while still upon the hook. Now they will be able to catch the fish and swing them into cold storage.

CRIPPEN IS HUNTED

SUPPOSED TO BE ON SHIP BOUND FOR THIS COUNTRY.

CORPSE DUG UP IN CELLAR

Killing of Belle Elmore, Actress Strikingly Similar to Charlton Cast—Suspected Husband Well Known in Indiana.

London.—Scotland Yard is seeking Dr. Harvey Crippen, an American dentist, in connection with the murder of his wife. He is believed to be on a steamer bound for New York. Crippen was a native of Coldwater, Mich., and was educated in Indiana, where he is well known.

The authorities Thursday cabled the police of the United States to arrest Crippen, who, it is thought, sailed from England Saturday.

Doctor Crippen, who is said to be fifty years of age, made his home for some time at 39 Hilldrop Crescent, North London. Some time ago his wife, Belle Elmore, a vaudeville actress and treasurer of the Music Hall artists' guild, disappeared, and subsequently a notice of her death appeared in the local papers.

The fact of her demise was generally credited, but there was more or less gossip among the women intimates and this finally reached the ears of the police. The latter visited Doctor Crippen and the interview appeared to be satisfactory.

Doctor Crippen disappeared last Saturday and a search of the Crippen house was made and the battered body of a woman was found buried in quick lime and was burned beyond recognition, but the finding of the body, together with other discoveries, has left no doubt in the minds of the authorities that the murdered woman was Mrs. Crippen.

The case is strikingly similar to that of the Charlton murder at Lake Como, Italy. Porter Charlton was arrested in Hoboken, but in the absence of an extradition treaty between the United States and Italy specifically providing for the return to either country of a citizen of the other country who has committed a crime abroad may go free.

In the present case no such complications are probable, as the British-American extradition treaty leaves no loophole of which a suspected criminal may take advantage.

Doctor Crippen, after attending schools in Indiana and Los Angeles, completed his medical studies in Michigan, Cleveland and New York city. He practised in Detroit, San Diego, Cal., Salt Lake City, St. Louis and Brooklyn as an eye and ear specialist.

He married Belle Elmore, as she was known on the stage, at New York.

PITTMAN IS FOUND STARVING

Nicaragua President Reported to Have Badly Mistreated American Prisoner—Creates Reign of Terror.

Washington.—The United States must soon intervene in Nicaragua or allow peace to be effected there by England and Germany.

Unmistakable significance attaches to important reports from its diplomatic representatives in Nicaragua to the state department Thursday showing that Madriz has produced intentionally a reign of terror in the western half of Nicaragua, in which four-fifths of the white people of that republic live.

The dispatches show that William Pittman, an American prisoner in the hands of Madriz, was inhumanly treated by starvation and other privations since he left Greytown on July 4 on his way to Managua.

When he was put in prison in Managua it was in a "filthy cell," five feet by six and there again he was starved. A prompt protest from Consul Olivares at Managua secured the transfer of Pittman to a better cell and the United States is furnishing the money to feed him properly, and it is also furnishing the money to take care of the relatives in Nicaragua of the murdered Groce.

The more serious aspect of the general situation is that citizens of Germany and Great Britain are protesting against the reign of terror in western Nicaragua. Nicaraguans openly make threats against the lives of American citizens and there is nothing to prevent an immediate outbreak of street murders, arson, robberies, etc., which will involve all foreign residents in Nicaragua.

Killed in Mistake for Another. Kendallville, Ind.—Albert Lehr, thirty-eight years old, was killed by five Italians employed on a section gang while standing on the platform of the Lake Shore depot. The shooting is thought to be the outcome of the accidental killing of an Italian by a freight train three weeks ago.

For Mine Rescue Stations. Victoria, B. C.—The British Columbia government Thursday placed orders in Pittsburgh, Pa., for complete apparatus for three mine rescue stations to be installed in the principal coal mining areas of British Columbia.

Doukhobors Unclad on Trail. Winnipeg, Man.—Doukhobor fanatics again have shed their clothes and are on the trail. The mounted police have been sent out to restrain them.

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AVIATION'S DEATH TOLL GROWS

ERBSLOEH AND FOUR COMPANIONS KILLED IN PRUSSIA.

Winner of St. Louis Balloon Race Perishes in Accident—Rolls Loses Life in England.

Leichlinger, Rhenish Prussia.—Oscar Erbsloeh, the German aeronaut who won the international balloon race at St. Louis in 1907, and four companions were killed Wednesday when the dirigible balloon Erbsloeh burst at a height of several hundred feet and dropped to the earth a crumpled mass.

The Dead. Oscar Erbsloeh, inventor and balloonist.

Herr Toelle, a manufacturer of Bremen.

Engineer Kranz.

Engineer Hoeppe.

Motorman Spilke.

The craft was of the nonrigid type, 176 feet in length and 33 feet in diameter. The motors were of 125 horsepower and drove the airship at a speed of 28 1/2 miles an hour.

The war department recently purchased one of Erbsloeh's balloons.

The cause of the accident is a matter of conjecture, but it is believed that the bursting of the bag was due to the expansion of gas by the warm sunshine.

Bournemouth, England.—Hon. Charles Stewart Rolls, third son of Lord Llangattock and one of the most daring and skillful of British aviators, who recently made a flight from Dover to France and return, met a most tragic death at the close of the first flying machine tournament of the year in England Tuesday.

In the presence of a great company of spectators, a majority of whom were women and children, and many personal friends of the young aviator, the Wright biplane on which he was flying fell suddenly with terrific speed from a height of 100 feet.

It struck the ground close to the crowded grand stand, smashed into a tangled mass, and before the doctors and their assistants could reach the spot Rolls was dead.

RIVER STEAMER GOES DOWN

Cape Girardeau Strikes Snag in Mississippi and Sinks—All Passengers Safely Landed.

St. Louis.—The river steamer Cape Girardeau struck a snag and sank to the bottom of the Mississippi river at Turkey Island, 50 miles south of here Monday. Ninety passengers were aboard, and all were taken ashore safely.

The boat was returning from Commerce, Mo. Many of the passengers were women and children. They were asleep when the boat hit an obstruction. The passengers crowded on the decks and members of the crew quieted them. They walked ashore on the gangplank. Later they were brought to St. Louis by train.

URGES LOEB FOR GOVERNOR

Taft Favors Collector New York Port for Gubernatorial Candidate in Empire State.

Beverly, Mass.—President Taft Monday urged William Loeb, Jr., to accept the Republican gubernatorial nomination in New York this fall. Mr. Loeb is averse to taking up the task and would prefer to complete the work that he has undertaken as collector of the port, but before he left Burgess Point he assured the president that if the demand was made he would accept the duty.

Hitchcock Off for Europe.

Washington.—Frank H. Hitchcock, postmaster general, sailed from New York Wednesday for Europe for a month's vacation. All the members of President Taft's cabinet are now out of the city.

Slays Woman and Kills Self.

Onawa, Ia.—John Kratz shot and killed Mrs. Agnes McCoy and then committed suicide here Wednesday. Kratz was infatuated, it is said, with the McCoy woman, who resented his attentions.

INDICTED IN RISK PROBE

Rock Island Jury Returns True Bill Against 13 Persons in Insurance Scandal.

Rock Island.—Seven indictments charging 13 people with conspiracy, embezzlement and perjury was the product of the grand jury investigation of fraternal insurance frauds.

Those indicted are:

Dr. A. L. Craig, Chicago, former medical director of the Fraternal Tribunes.

C. F. Hatfield, Chicago.

M. J. Franckel, Chicago.

Miss Margaret McElvain, Auburn, Ill.

Harold A. Weld, Rock Island, former supreme treasurer of Fraternal Tribunes.

Otto L. Caldwell, Springfield, Ill.

M. B. Garber, Washington.

Thomas W. Wilson, Springfield, Ill.

Dr. C. H. Walters, Springfield, Ill.

S. S. McElvain, Auburn, Ill.

George W. Kenney, Springfield, Ill.

K. M. Witham, Aledo, Ill., former supreme treasurer of Fraternal Tribunes.

The indictments were returned Wednesday and are against the four former officers of the Fraternal Tribunes prior to the merger with the American Home Circle, and the four officers of the American Home Circle who gained control of the Fraternal Tribunes by means of the merger and by inducing the officers of the Tribunes to resign their offices; against C. F. Hatfield, who was, it is said, the man who brought about the deal; George W. Kenney, who is said to have secured money on fraudulent notes, and against three of the witnesses, who are declared to have testified falsely before the grand jury here with reference to money received on alleged loans they made to the Home Circle and for which they received payment after the merger with the Tribunes.

Harold A. Weld, H. M. Whitman and Doctor Craig furnished bail in the sum of \$12,000 each.

DOES NOT SUPPORT MADRIZ

Emperor William, Through Foreign Office, Declares Germany Will Not Intervene in Nicaragua.

Berlin.—The foreign office Tuesday made public an authorized statement respecting the letter of Emperor William to President Madriz of Nicaragua. Reports have reached Berlin that attempts were being made in America to construe this letter as an endorsement by the emperor of the Madriz party.

The statement follows: "Madriz gave notice of his election upon undertaking the presidency, to the emperor in the usual written form. The customary formal reply was prepared by the foreign office. It was not an autograph letter, but was simply signed by the emperor. The address, 'great and good friend,' was in accordance with official courtesy. Any intervention by Germany in Nicaraguan affairs neither followed nor is intended. Germany neither sought nor designs to seek a coaling station. Rumors of Germany's intention toward the Galapagos islands are equally without foundation, as are all suggestions that the German government has in any wise modified the cultivation of friendly relations toward the United States."

Murder Plot Is Suspected.

Chester, Pa., July 14.—The body of Col. Silas E. Comfort, vice-president of the Pennsylvania Military college and prominent in city affairs, was found in Leiperville creek, in the rear of the Colonial hotel, Leiperville, near here. A murder plot is suspected.

Sink Two Pirate Boats.

Hongkong.—The guns of the Portuguese gunboat Patria Wednesday dislodged the Chinese from the fort on Colowan Island. Many of the Chinese were killed during the bombardment. Two junks loaded with Chinese who were attempting to escape were sunk and all of their occupants drowned.

Drinks Nitric Acid and Dies.

Ottawa, Ill.—Emil Kuyt, proprietor of the Ottawa Marble Works, committed suicide Thursday by drinking nitric acid.

START ON NEW BEEF INQUIRY

SUBPOENAS ARE SERVED IN THE PACKERS' PROBE.

District Attorney Sims Takes Personal Charge of the Proposed Investigation.

Chicago.—Under instructions from Judge Landis deputy United States marshals will call prominent Chicago packers to appear before the federal grand jury to answer to the charges which have been made against the National Packing company.

Subpoenas were issued several days ago for different members of the packing firms, but they have been held in the office of District Attorney Sims, awaiting his instructions. Judge Landis will give the federal grand jury its instructions and while he is expected to tell them to make a searching investigation into the methods of the National Packing company, the government officials will be looking for the men named in the subpoenas.

Men who are claimed to have violated the Sherman anti-trust law and others who it is thought will be able to give the details of the inside workings of the company will be called.

PORTLAND SWEEP BY FIRE

Ten Acres in Oregon City in Waste—Two Men and 150 Horses Die.

Portland, Ore.—Two lives at least were lost, scores of persons were injured, 150 horses burned to death and damage amounting to half a million wrought in a fire on the edge of the business district here Thursday. The athletic field of the famous Multnomah Athletic club was swept by the flames and the magnificent grand stand destroyed.

The dead are: F. R. Price, foreman of the United Carriage company stable, and a helper whose name is Prude. Several of the stable employees are reported to be missing.

The fire is believed to have started in the salesroom of the Oregon Brush company.

The burned district covered approximately ten acres, but a large portion of this area was devoted to the athletic field of the Multnomah club.

The fire started in the old exposition building, an immense wooden structure on the south side of Washington street, extending from Ninth street to Twentieth, having a length of about 400 feet and a depth of 220 feet.

CALL RATES CONFISCATORY

Pullman Company Lawyer Says Commission's Order Means Bankruptcy for Big Concern.

Chicago.—Contending that the interstate commerce commission's order for a reduction of sleeping car rates is confiscatory, attorneys representing the Pullman company and the railroads appeared in the United States circuit court to argue for a rehearing of their petition for an injunction to prevent the order being put into effect.

An injunction was previously denied them, but they seek to reopen the case on the ground that they have new facts to present.

Attorney Fernald of the Pullman company told the court that the new schedule of rates would ultimately mean bankruptcy for the sleeping car companies.

It would mean a loss of \$116,000 annually on fares between St. Paul and the points of Fargo, N. D., and Seattle, Wash., alone, he said.

The reduction from St. Paul to Fargo is 40 per cent. on upper berths and 25 per cent. on lower, and from St. Paul to Seattle the fare is lowered 29 per cent. on upper and 6 2/3 per cent. on lower.

TRAINMEN SLAIN IN WRECK

New York Central Passenger Train Jumps Track—None of Passengers Seriously Hurt.

New York.—Three men were killed and a train load of passengers badly shaken up when north-bound train 59 on the New York Central, known as the Northern and Western Express, was wrecked Monday near Newton Hook, nine miles north of Hudson.

Engine and baggage car jumped the track and toppled over. The six other cars of the train, all Pullmans, left the rails, but remained upright and no one in them was seriously hurt.

Engineer Tyndall was caught under his engine and was fatally crushed, dying shortly afterward. The other trainmen were instantly killed.

A report received by the public service commission at Albany said the wreck was caused by the engine striking a door of a freight car that had fallen on the track.

President of \$3,000,000 College.

Brunswick, Me.—Prof. William T. Foster of Bowdoin college has accepted the presidency of Read Institute, a college to be built at Portland, Ore., from a fund given by Mrs. Amundson Reed and now amounting to \$3,000,000.

Man Aged 104 Dies.

Ripley, Miss.—Mike Cox, a native of Ireland, said to be the oldest man in the south, died here Thursday, aged one hundred and four years. He worked as a farm hand until he was one hundred years old.

DESSERTS FROM PINEAPPLE

Fritters, Souffle, Cream and Log Cabin Are Four Dainty Dishes Made From This Appetizing Fruit.

Pineapple Fritters.—Make a batter with one egg, beaten separately. To the yolk add one-half cup of milk, pinch of salt and enough flour to make a stiff batter, the beaten white and one-half teaspoon of baking powder. Open a can of the best sliced pineapple. Cut each slice of pineapple in two, dip in the batter and fry in hot lard. Drain, sprinkle with powdered sugar and serve. Fresh fruit is much nicer if obtainable than the canned.

Pineapple Souffle.—Melt two ounces of butter in a stewpan, put in three ounces of fine flour, mix with half pint of milk, boil until it thickens; have ready three ounces of pineapple cut small, the same quantity of sugar; put with the cooked mixture, add one by one the yolks of three eggs, then the whites beaten to a stiff froth; make a sauce with one cup of pineapple juice, half cupful of cut pineapple. Cook the pudding three-quarters of an hour.

Pineapple Cream.—Select one ripe pineapple, pare, remove the "eyes," grate, add sugar (pound for pound, or a little less, but it must be sweet, as freezing destroys some of the effects of the sugar.) Allow one pint of cream to each pint of pulp and sugar, and freeze. Be sure and have all the ingredients icy cold before combining them.

Pineapple Log Cabin.—Select a large ripe pineapple, pare, eye and cut into slices about a fourth of an inch thick. Cut these across into half-inch strips. Sprinkle thickly with sugar and set in a cold place until time to serve. Then carefully drain off the sirup and arrange the strips six deep in log cabin fashion on small china plates. Sprinkle each strip with powdered sugar and freshly grated coconut. Fill the center with fine ripe red raspberries and pour over them the sirup which has been drained from the pineapple.

To Roast a Leg of Veal.

Wash well and have leg of veal boned and filled with stuffing. Take a deep iron kettle and put layers of sliced onion, carrots and turnips; add one teaspoonful of salt, four round peppers, four cloves, four bay leaves, and on this lay the meat and put three slices of salt pork on the meat and put wooden toothpicks to hold them in place; then add one pint of water, cover the kettle tight and put in a hot oven for three hours. When done, take out the roast and put on a platter with the vegetables around. Serve strained gravy separately.

Stuffing for Roast.—Three cupfuls stale bread crumbs, two onions chopped fine, one teaspoonful salt, one-half teaspoonful of white pepper, two tablespoonfuls chopped parsley and one-half cupful melted butter.

Home-Made Cream Puffs.

Put a pint of water into a saucepan, bring to a boil, and stir into it a half-pound of butter. Bring again to the boiling-point and beat in it three-quarters of a pound of flour. Stir all the time, and boil until the mixture no longer sticks to the sides of the saucepan. This will take only a minute or two. Remove from the fire the moment this point is reached, and set away to cool. When cold, break into the mixture, one at a time, eight eggs, beating the batter for two minutes after each one is added. Set the batter on the ice until very cold, then drop by the great spoonful upon pans lined with waxed paper. Bake in a steady oven until puffed and colored a golden brown. When cold, cut a slit in the side of each puff, and fill with whipped cream flavored to suit the taste. Sprinkle with sugar and serve.

Cauliflower and Beans.

One cauliflower, one pint of butter beans, one pint of white sauce, grated cheese to taste. Soak the beans over night, boil until perfectly tender in just water enough to cover. Let the water boil away toward the end of the cooking, and salt to taste. Put the cauliflower in a little boiling water and boil gently for about twenty minutes, then break into small sprigs. Mix the beans and cauliflower gently together so as not to mash them, turn them into a buttered earthenware baking dish, pour over the pint of white sauce, add a generous layer of grated cheese, and put into the oven to brown. Just before taking from the oven add a teaspoonful of tarragon vinegar.

French Beef Stew.

Two and one-half pounds beef cut from the round, one-fourth pound suet, four onions and one can tomatoes. Cut steak and suet into small thick pieces. Cook slowly. When about half done, add onions and tomatoes. Season with one tablespoonful sugar (if tomatoes are quite acid). One teaspoonful salt and one-half teaspoonful each of cloves, cinnamon and red pepper. Before taking from fire, thicken with one tablespoonful of flour rubbed smooth with water. Serve on thick slices of well-buttered toast.

Frozen Souffle.

Take three ounces of granulated sugar and six raw egg yolks, whip slowly, warming over hot water while beating. When an almost solid froth, remove and cool the bowl. Mix in gently one pint of cream, whipped to a stiff froth, and one dozen lady fingers, cut in small pieces and dipped in sherry. Turn into a wetted mold, cover tightly, bind around a buttered cloth and bury in ice and salt for two hours.